

# The Burden of Tobacco in City of Milwaukee

Population 583,624

The Burden of Tobacco is a collaborative report of the University of Wisconsin Tobacco Surveillance and Evaluation Program, the American Cancer Society, and the Wisconsin Division of Public Health's Tobacco Prevention and Control Program.

### Smokers in Wisconsin and the City of Milwaukee

	Wisconsin		City of Milwaukee	
	# of Smokers	Percent Smokers	# of Smokers	<b>Percent Smokers</b>
Total Number of Smokers	1,005,000		130,350	
Adult (18+) <sup>1,2</sup>	920,000	22%	121,240	29%
High School Youth <sup>3,4</sup>	66,000	21%	6,960	21%
Middle School Youth <sup>3,4</sup>	19,000	8%	2,150	8%
Smoking During Pregnancy <sup>5</sup>	10,000	14%	1,367	12%

**Deaths Directly Related to Smoking** 

	Wisconsin		City of Milwaukee		
Cause of Death <sup>6,7</sup>	Average Annual Deaths	Due to Smoking	Average Annual Deaths	Due to Smoking	% Due to Smoking <sup>†</sup>
Lung Cancer	2,760	2,208	308	256	83%
Other Smoking-Related Cancers	2,066	719	218	83	38%
Cardiovascular Disease	16,412	2,342	1,605	269	17%
Respiratory Disease	3,416	1,946	334	198	59%
Other Causes (not associated with smoking)	21,619	0	2,775	0	0%
All Causes	46,273*	<b>7,215</b> *	5,240*	$807^{*}$	15%

#### Years of Potential Life Lost

Cause of death <sup>6</sup>	Wisconsin	City of Milwaukee
Smoking-Related Cancers	43,000 years	5,470 years
Cardiovascular Disease	32,000 years	4,450 years
Respiratory Disease	21,000 years	2,350 years
All Causes	96,000 years	12,270 years <sup>*</sup>

 $<sup>^\</sup>dagger$  May not appear to be exact due to using decimals in the calculations.  $^*$  Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Note: Adult prevalence estimates from BRFSS, 2000-04; Youth estimates based on state level YTS, 2004; Maternal smoking estimates from WISH, 2004.

Note: Wisconsin and County Deaths Directly Related to Smoking and Years of Potential Life Lost are based on 2000-2004 mortality data.

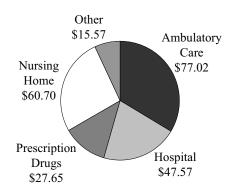
Note: See technical notes for a detailed description of the data sources and methodologies used to construct this report.

Economic Impact of Cigarette Smoking in Wisconsin and the City of Milwaukee

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	Wisconsin	City of Milwaukee
Health Care Costs <sup>6,11</sup>	\$2,160,000,000	\$228,510,000
Lost Productivity <sup>6</sup>	\$1,640,000,000	\$173,590,000
<b>Total Costs</b>	\$3,800,000,000	\$402,100,000

## Smoking Attributable Health Care Costs in the City of Milwaukee, 2003<sup>6,11</sup>

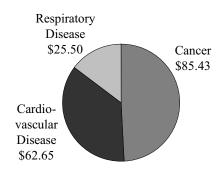
(In millions of dollars)



#### Total: \$228.5 Million\*

### Cost of Productivity Lost Due to Smoking in the City of Milwaukee, 2001<sup>6</sup>

(In millions of dollars)



Total: \$173.6 Million\*

- In Wisconsin, an estimated 7,215 people die annually from illnesses directly related to smoking and approximately 853 die from illnesses and fires indirectly related to smoking, for a total of 8,068 annual deaths. 6-10
- Secondhand smoke is estimated to cause about 61 lung cancer deaths, 771 deaths from ischemic heart disease, and 9 infant deaths from Sudden Infant Death Syndrome in Wisconsin annually. Household fires in Wisconsin caused by cigarettes kill an estimated 12 people annually. 8-10
- In the City of Milwaukee, approximately 807 die annually of illnesses directly related to smoking.<sup>6,7</sup>
- Each year, approximately 15% of all deaths in the City of Milwaukee are attributable to smoking. Cigarette smoking causes 83% of all lung cancer deaths and 17% of all deaths from cardiovascular disease in the City of Milwaukee. <sup>6,7</sup>
- In Wisconsin, approximately 96,000 years were lost from the potential lifespan of those who died of smoking-related illnesses in 2004. In the City of Milwaukee, about 12,270 years are lost annually from the effects of smoking.<sup>6</sup>
- In 2003, an estimated \$2.2 billion in health care costs were paid in Wisconsin as a result of diseases caused by smoking, with \$228.5 million paid in the City of Milwaukee. <sup>6,11</sup>
- Wisconsin lost \$1.6 billion, including \$173.6 million in the City of Milwaukee, in productivity costs because of illness and premature death directly associated with smoking in 2001.
- In 2003, estimated health care costs of cigarette smoking were approximately \$390 for every man, woman and child in the City of Milwaukee. <sup>6,11</sup>
- In 2004, there were over 384 million packs of cigarettes sold in Wisconsin. Residents of the City of Milwaukee spent approximately \$197.4 million on 51,760,000 packs of cigarettes in 2004. 12